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**NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT**

**ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRY DEVELOPMENT &  
FISHERIES DEPARTMENT  
(FISH)**

THE ANDHRA PRADESH FISHERIES SERVICE RULES, 1991 - DISPENSATION  
OF DIRECT RECRUITMENT PROVISION TO THE POST OF ASSISTANT  
DIRECTOR OF FISHERIES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES.

**[G.O.Ms.No.49, Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries (Fish),  
24<sup>th</sup> December, 2020.]**

**Read the following.**

1. Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Vijayawada Letter No. 3861/A.1/2018, Dated 10.01.2020 & even NO.dt:25.02.2020.
2. From the Andhra Pradesh Fisheries Officers Association, rep. its president, representation, Dated: 04.08.2018 & even No.Dated:11.12.2019.
3. From the Secretary, APPSC, Lr. No.250/ R&R/ 2020,dt:06.10.2020.

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**ORDER:**

The Commissioner of Fisheries in the reference first read above, has stated that the Assistant Director of Fisheries (ADF) is at present the second level gazetted post in the Fisheries Department. The Fisheries Development Officer (FDO) is the first level gazetted post as per orders contained in G.O.Ms.No.119 AH, DD & F, dated:07.11.1996 and there is a provision for direct recruitment. The sanctioned strength of Assistant Director of Fisheries is only 50 posts. Whereas the number of posts in feeder category post i.e., FDO are 168 posts. Further there is also direct recruitment provision for Assistant Inspector of Fisheries which is feeder category post for Fisheries Development Officer (FDO).

2. He has also informed that in the Animal Husbandry Department and the Agriculture Department there is no provision for direct recruitment to the second level gazetted post ie., Assistant Director cadre. As the Direct recruitment provision for the second level gazetted cadre ie., ADF restricts the opportunities to FDOs to get promotion even after putting up more than 15-20 years of service. This will lead to demotivation of the gross root level officers and the department may miss their experience to utilise their optimum capacities at appropriate level due to stagnation in promotions.

3. Hence, the Commissioner of Fisheries has requested to amend the G.O. Ms.No.316, Food & Agriculture (Fish.I) Department, Dated 09.04.1991 duly deleting the provision of Direct Recruitment to the post of Assistant Director of Fisheries.

4. The Andhra Pradesh Fisheries Officers Association has also represented to abolish the provision for direct recruitment to the category of Assistant Director of Fisheries with a view to enhance the promotional opportunities of the Fisheries Development Officers as most of the Fisheries Development Officers recruited in the department posses Masters' Degree in Fisheries and some of them are even Doctorates.

5. Government after careful examination of the matter, hereby decided to delete the provision of dispense with direct recruitment to the cadre of Assistant Director of Fisheries in Category 4 in Class.I of the Andhra Pradesh Fisheries Service Rules 1991, in the Fisheries Department with immediate effect and henceforth the post of Assistant Director of Fisheries post shall be filled up only by promotion from the feeder categories of Fisheries Development Officers/Research Assistants/Hydrologists.

6. Necessary amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Fisheries Service Rules to dispense with the provision of direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Director of Fisheries in the Department of Fisheries in the State will be issued separately.

7. The Commissioner of Fisheries shall take necessary action to implement these orders with immediate effect.

**Dr. POONAM MALAKONDAIAH,**  
*Special Chief Secretary to Government (FAC).*

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